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President's Message

Joe Olson

Due to pressing commitments, TNA President Joe Olson was unable to prepare a formal message for this issue of *TNA News*. Joe sends his regrets, and wishes everyone the best. During a recent telephone conversation, Joe shared with me (your editor) the very good news that Mac Kennady is making a remarkable recovery from his recent illnesses. Mac and Eleanor would love to hear from you. You can write to them at:

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Joe also wants to remind all **member clubs** that aluminum 1995 TNA Convention Medals are available at no cost, while the supply lasts, from the TNA Secretary, Barbara Lowell. Clubs, send your written requests to:

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A Few Words From the Editor

Bob Metzger

It's Memorial Weekend as I write this message and put the finishing touches on the June issue of *TNA News*. Some of you may have noticed that this issue and the April issue have gone back to the slightly lighter weight paper that was the standard until last year's June issue. The reason for this is that I have switched printers again, back to reliable, predictable Alamo Printing. I have found that having the printing done by my employer, on a time-available basis, has proven to be too disruptive to our publication schedule, and simply was not worth either the relatively small monetary savings or the slight increase in photo reproduction quality. You can expect the newsletter to be back on a timely schedule, and I can enjoy a one week turnaround time from the printer, which I find far more acceptable than the two to four weeks that has lately been the case.

One looming problem, however, is that our well of educational articles is rapidly running dry. Almost all of the few remaining have come from a single individual. His writings are educational and thought-provoking, and almost always appear in *Coin World* or *Numismatic News* before I get a chance to run them in *TNA News*. While neither paper seems to have a problem with us running them (with proper credit), I hesitate to feature articles that you readers have, in all likelihood, previously (and very recently) read. I have been using selected transcripts from ANA's highly informative "Money Talks" radio program to help fill the void, but we are in dire need of interesting, original articles from you TNA members. Don't be bashful, and rest assured that any typographical or other errors will be cleaned up during the editing process. Well, at least we try our best to clean them up.

You may have also noticed a new "News Clippings" column in each of this year's issues of *TNA News*. Its purpose is to share the many short, but interesting stories that pop up during the two months between our publication dates. Please feel free to submit any and all material that seems appropriate for inclusion there, as well. Keep those club reports and show listing coming in, too, and watch the deadlines! Each issue's submission deadline is the 10th of the previous month; for example, May 10 was the deadline for this, the June, issue. This gives us about 2-3 weeks to get everything typed, organized, layed out, and delivered to the printer.

Switching gears, the Coins for A's program is still going great guns. We expect a flurry of report cards very soon, as schools let out for the summer, and the cards go home to stay. Since the program began, 71 kids have submitted 114 report cards, so 114 groups of coins have been mailed out to the kids. Judging from the number of kids who have submitted cards for more than one grading period, they appear to be pleased with the coins they are receiving. Donations have been strong

so the material going out to the kids has been good. Please spread the word in your area, and feel free to photocopy page 8 of this newsletter to hand out to people who express an interest in participating.

While we're thinking about education and kids, let me ask you this: have you looked into the possibility of attending the ANA Anniversary Convention this summer? The dates are August 16-20, and the location is Anaheim, California, a stone's throw from Disneyland. With the frequent "sales" on airplane fares, and ANA hotel rates as low as $35 per night, this can be one of the most affordable opportunities to attend an ANA convention for quite some time. With Disneyland a short walk from the show, why not take the whole family? Educational talks, a huge bourse, stunning exhibits, and the chance to meet and talk to some of the most knowledgeable numismatists alive, put the ANA Anniversary Conventions at the very top of my personal, annual list of don't-miss numismatic events. This year's should be a great one, and is in a great location. If you are serious about the hobby, you should seriously consider making the effort to attend. I had never "bothered" to attend one until 1989, and was so impressed that I have missed only one since.

That's all from me this time. I'll expect to be hearing from many of you very soon. Feature articles and report cards will soon cram my mailbox, right? And don't forget to make those reservations for ANAheim. And above all, have a nice summer!

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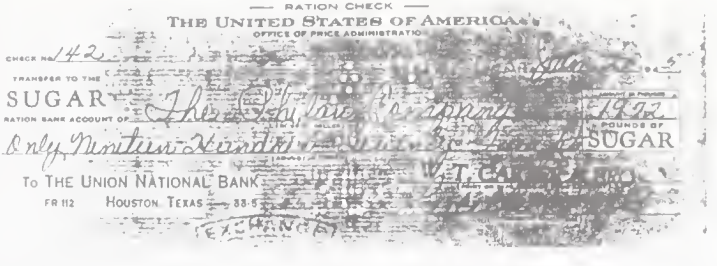
Probably each of you has seen, at one time or another, the little (16 mm), round, red or blue fiber tokens that read, "OPA Red Point" or "OPA Blue Point." These ration tokens were issued by the United States Office of Price Administration as part of the rationing programs that took place during World War II. They are very common, and a search through most dealers' junk boxes will yield several examples.



Recently, I bought this related item, pictured here at 50% of actual size, in a mail bid sale of exonumia. As you can see, it is an OPA ration check, drawn on the Union National Bank of Houston, and denominated not in dollars, but rather in pounds of sugar. If anyone can provide background information about the Phelan Company, I'd be very grateful, and I'll be sure to share it with readers in a future column.

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The Treasure Ships of South Texas

by David A. Burke

Four Caravels slipped their cables and, catching the morning ebb, pulled away from the dock at Vera Cruz, a port on the Mexican island of San Juan de Ulva. They were embarking upon the long and dangerous trip back to Spain. The ships were loaded deep in the water, laden with both passengers and cargo. Approximately 410 passengers and crew crowded the four small ships. They were the San Andres (40 tons), the Santa Maria de Yciar (28 tons), the San Esteban (47 tons), and the Espirito Santo (41 tons). The little fleet was under the command of Captain-General Antonio Corzo, whose flagship was the San Andres. In addition to the considerable load of human cargo, the ships were laden with all manner of produce from the new world, hides, resin, cochineal (a potent red dye), silk from southern Mexico, wool, sugar and many other items. The old bills of lading also reflect about 91,000 pounds of precious metals, most in the form of silver coinage and plate, but also some gold. Since most of the gold came from Tierra Firma, on the northern coast of South America, and the silver from New Spain (as Mexico was then known), and since very little gold was recovered in all the salvage attempts, the amount of gold aboard must have been very small.

Upon leaving San Juan de Ulva, the ships turned northeast and, sailing with favorable south winds, made their way towards Havana, the first stop on the way to Seville. When they reached the 28th parallel, they would turn due east to approach Cuba from the north. It was not a hurricane that struck them at this point - it was too early in the year for that - but, in all probability, a severe spring equinox storm which, in its own way, is about as devastating. When the storm hit, there was little that the captains could do but try to run before the impending danger. Somehow, Captain-General Corzo managed to direct his San Andres around the maelstrom, but the other three ships were blown due west, directly towards some low islands that seemed suddenly to appear out of nowhere. The sailors, fearing that they would be doomed to wreck on the beaches, attempted to set the anchors, but either the sailors were unequal to the task, or the cables gave way. In an event, the three ships foundered on the raging surf. The amazing part of this disaster is that nearly 200 of the approximately 304 aboard survived the breakup of the ships. All three had come to rest, on or about April 29, 1554, on the inhospitable shore of what was then known as the Medanos de Madelana (Sand Banks of Madalena), on the coast of La Florida, the name by which all land north of the Rio Panuco on the New Spanish coast, was known.

Even today, this stretch of what is now known as Padre Island is a very inhospitable place, with no fresh water and nothing to eat, unless you know the special tricks of foraging the sea. The sand is fine and

flour-like, and the sun is relentless even in springtime. In those days, the only humans who frequented the island were primitive natives, the Coahuiltecan, who came to the island mainly to fish, otherwise spending most of their time on the mainland. In all probability, no one witnessed the wrecks, which occurred along a two and a half mile stretch of the beach. The survivors gathered on the beach. Today, one can only imagine the despair and confusion felt by the group, which included at least five Dominican friars, noblewoman Dona Catalina de Ribera, former ship captain Andres Lopez, as well as other women and children. No records reveal whether Captain Ojos of the Santa Maria or Captain Martin of the Espirito Santo survived the wrecks, but shipping records show that Master Francisco Huerto of the San Esteban subsequently sailed the Indies. These same records have resulted in speculation as to how authorities in Vera Cruz learned of the disaster in such a timely manner. It is surmised that Captain Huerto salvaged a small boat and sailed back to Vera Cruz, aided by a skeleton crew and a few others. The survivors who were left on the beach, however, had no such luck. Their trip down the island and across the mainland was fraught with peril. Although the wreck had spewed salvage all over the beaches, the survivors, apparently either thinking that they were relatively close to Rio Panuco (Tampico), or that the natives and terrain would cause them little hardship, took little to sustain themselves. They took a few sabres, two crossbows, and little else as they set out on foot. The harquebuses, rendered useless by the water, were left behind, the Indians, likely never before having seen guns, would not even have been intimidated by the sight of them.

For seven days, the trek south was relatively uneventful. Then, suddenly, a large band of Indians, armed with bows and arrows, appeared. They made signs of peace and offered food. The weary castaways gladly accepted the welcome and, after building a fire, were soon roasting fish and roots. Although still cautious, the survivors let down their guard, and ate. As they relaxed, the natives let out bloodcurdling whoops and let loose a volley of arrows, miraculously killing no one. The crossbowmen returned fire, killing several of the natives, and causing the others to rapidly withdraw. The rugged environment soon proved to be as formidable an enemy, and stragglers became prey for the natives. The crossbowmen repeatedly had to drive off the attackers.

Five days later, the travellers reached a large river, which they called the Rio Bravo, the name still used in Mexico for the Rio Grande. In twelve days of walking, they had covered fewer than 60 miles, and were in pitiful shape. While lightening the load to cross the river, one of the priests discarded a pack, the pack, unfortunately, contained the crossbows. As soon as the Indians noticed that their fire was not being returned, they fell upon the survivors and began a running slaughter. The Indians captured two Spaniards and, after stripping them of their

clothes, released them. This gave the rest of the group the idea that the Indians were only after their clothes, so they decided to leave their clothes behind. They proceeded onward as naked as the day they were born, which only added to their misery. The Indians remained in pursuit. The terrain south of the Rio Grande was, as it is now, mangrove swamp and bog, and the approximately 200 remaining men, women and children struggled on. When they reached the Rio de Palmas, the Indians fell upon them with renewed fury, slaughtering more than 50 of the poor, beleaguered group. The survivors found an Indian canoe, crossed the river, and encountered even more hostile Indians and two more rivers. A horrible toll was taken. The survivors consisted of three friars and a handful of others. All the women and children had perished. One soldier, Francisco Vazquez, turned around and made it all the way back to the wrecks, where he was later rescued. In a final attempt to cross the Tampico, all but one of the remaining survivors were slain.

The survivor, Fray Marcos, although wounded seven times, made his way to the Panuco River, where he was found by two friendly Indians. He was taken to the village of Tampico on or about June 9, 1554. His grueling odyssey had taken approximately 42 days. Records in Mexico City show that the Viceroy approved funds for salvage and both sea and land rescue on June 4, giving credence to the speculation about the fate of Captain Francisco del Huerto. By June 6, Angel de Villafana left Vera Cruz with 20 armed soldiers to go to the wrecks and guard them against pilferage. He was followed the next month by Garcia Escalante Alvarado, with two large ships, four smaller barks, and over 100 crewmen with numerous supplies and diving equipment. Among the crew were eleven divers, evidently all freemen, since the records of the salvage show that, unlike slaves, they were paid.

The Spanish salvage efforts will not be chronicled in this narrative, since that is a story in its own right. Suffice to say, all three ships were partly salvaged; 35,804 pounds of silver and gold were recovered, leaving 51,330 pounds in the wrecks, the water, and the sands of the Gulf. Many years would pass before any significant additional effort would be made to salvage the remainder, and many of the documents relating to the cargo were relegated to the dusty archives in Seville. In the ensuing centuries, artifacts, coins and other items were found by lonely cowboys, who herded cattle that grazed the sea oats and vines carpeting the island's dunes. Due to the isolation of these ranchers, the riches that rested in the surf of the island named Padre (for the friar who founded the first ranch on the island), were all but forgotten.

In September, 1961, Hurricane Carla hit the island, uncovering artifacts and renewing interest in the wrecks. In September, 1967, salvage efforts were started by Plataro, Ltd., of Gary, Indiana. In spite of an interruption by Hurricane Beulah, Platoro had removed a large amount of artifacts by December, 1967. The artifacts, largely from the Espirito Santo, were being taken to Indiana. Texas citizens vigorously

protested that, under Texas law, anything in Texas waters, within seven (rather than three, as claimed by other states) miles of the coast, belonged to the citizens of Texas, based an agreement made when Texas joined the United States in 1848.

Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Sadler pressed Platoro to let the artifacts remain in Texas, and obtained a temporary court order from the 28th District Court of Texas. He drove to Indiana, and hauled everything back to Texas. By August, 1969, it was all under the care of the director of the Texas Memorial Museum. In 1972, artifact recovery and survey was started by the Antiquities Committee, in association with the State Marine Archeologist, on the site of the wreck of the San Esteban. Recovered items were added to the collection at the TARL laboratory. Many Texas museums wanted the artifacts, or at least some of the collection, for exhibit. The Texas Antiquities Committee, formed in 1969 by an act of the 61st Legislature, was charged with oversight, in order to make the entire collection available to the people of Texas.

The Corpus Christi Museum of Science and History have many of the artifacts on display. This informative and entertaining exhibit includes a recreation of the deck of one of the ships, on which children are allowed to play. There is also a sequential display of the restoration process for recovered artifacts. The display tells but one story of the many ships which have been either washed ashore or wrecked on the shores of South Texas.

David Burke, TNA Life Member #167, currently serves the TNA as District 8 Governor and Educational Acquisitions Chairman. David lives in Corpus Christi, and is an active member and Bourse Chairman for the Corpus Christi Coin Club.

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Texas Independence Day: Republic of Texas Currency

by Mark Van Winkle

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On this date, 157 years ago, the eyes of Texas were on independence. And for nine years, the Republic of Texas printed its own money - much of it still available today.

The large Anglo-American population of Texas officially declared its independence from Mexico on March 2, 1836, but it wasn't until more than seven weeks later that true independence was won on the battlefield at San Jacinto.

With the afternoon sun at their backs, Sam Houston and his Texan army rode into the sleeping Mexican army camp during siesta time. Many Mexican soldiers were killed, and those who could escape fled into the surrounding countryside. Generalissimo Santa Ana, the commander of the Mexican army, escaped, disguised in a private's uniform.

The Texans soon found that independence had its own set of problems, not the least of which was money. There were few copper or silver coins in the new republic, and the government couldn't afford to purchase minting machinery or the precious metals needed to make coins.

But, it could afford paper, and tens of thousands of notes were printed over the next nine years, in various denominations. These beautifully designed notes were known as "Red Backs," because of the distinctive red ink used on the backs of the notes.

After Texas joined the Union in 1945, Republic of Texas money was demonetized. To discourage the use of the old "Red Backs," they were all cancelled with an X-shaped cut into the note, so further use would cause them to tear.

The five, ten and twenty dollar denominations of "Red Backs" are easy to find today, and at modest prices. You can usually pick one up for about $20-40.

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News Clippings

Erin Davis Receives ANA Scholarship

Williamson County Coin Club Secretary and *TNA News* reporter Erin Davis, of Georgetown, Texas, has been awarded an ANA scholarship to its Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs for the second consecutive year. Erin, on summer break after completing her sophomore year of high school, will be taking the course on Roman and Byzantine coins, taught by Kerry Wetterstrom and David Vagi, who also taught the course on ancient coins that Erin took at last year's seminar. She reports that she is very excited about going back.

James Madison Fellowship Awarded in Name of ANA to Honor Collectors

(condensed from an ANA Press Release, 5-26-95)

The James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation has awarded one of its graduate study fellowships in the name of the American Numismatic Association (ANA), recognizing the contribution of numismatic collectors to the foundation.

Conrad Hall of Durham, North Carolina, was awarded the 1995 fellowship. He is eligible to receive up to $24,000 in support of a master's degree emphasizing study of the U.S. Constitution.

The Madison Foundation, established by Congress to further understanding of the Bill of Rights and their author, James Madison, annually awards fellowships for graduate study to experienced and aspiring secondary school teachers from all 50 states. To help fund the fellowships, commemorative coins featuring Madison and the Bill of Rights were issued by the United States Mint in 1993.

In a joint project, the Madison Foundation and the ANA issued a special collector's package, the limited-issue Freedom Pack, containing an edge-lettered, serially-numbered, 1993 Madison/Bill of Rights uncirculated half dollar. More than 9,650 Freedom Packs were sold, with more than 700 ANA members receiving them as a bonus for either joining ANA or renewing five-year memberships.

ANA President David L. Ganz said, "The ANA and numismatic collectors throughout America are honored by the Madison Foundation's action." Madison Foundation President Paul A. Yost, Jr. said, "We are indebted to the American Numismatic Association and the thousands of collectors who have shown their support for this organization by purchasing the coins. Granting this fellowship in the name of the ANA is our way of expressing thanks to the numismatic community for its support not only for one of the most successful commemorative programs in recent years, which generated $9.2 million for the Foundation's fellowships, but also the teaching of the U.S. Constitution.

to our nation's high school students."

Hall is a recent graduate of Duke University and will pursue a Master of Arts in Teaching from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. After completing his education, and as a requirement of receiving fellowship funds, he will pursue a career as a high school teacher of American history.

Twisted Tales Are Set Straight in New Book

(condensed from a Krause Publications press release 5-19-95)

Does Selma Burke - not John Sinnock - deserve credit for the Roosevelt dime design? Was public outcry against nudity on the Standing Liberty quarter the real reason for its 1917 design change? Who really was the third Indian who posed for the Indian Head nickel? Was Black Diamond really the model for the bison on the reverse?

These and dozens of other longtime numismatic legends are challenged and thoroughly studied in a new book by Krause Publications titled *Twisted Tales* by Robert R. Van Ryzin. He says his study of the folklore and traditions surrounding U.S. coinage is not an attempt to rewrite numismatic history or to chastise those who have repeated those stories. These traditions should, however, be re-explored and re-examined, the author says.

Twisted Tales can be purchased from numismatic book dealers or directly from the publisher for $9.95 plus $1.50 shipping. Wisconsin residents, add 5.5% tax. The book is softcovered, and 240 pages in length. Write Krause Publications, Book Department NR-PQR-1, 700 E. State St., Iola, WI 54990-0001. VISA and MasterCard customers can order toll free: (800) 258-0929.

Book Dealer Announces Expansion & Relocation

Numismatic publisher and book dealer Sanford J. Durst has relocated to expanded offices at 11 Clinton Avenue, Rockville Center, NY 11570. A list of available titles is available by writing to Durst, phoning him at (516) 766-4444 or Faxing him at (516) 766-4520.

Recent Mails Bring Rhyming Tales

An April 10 trip to the *TNA News*' Post Office Box was rewarded with the following "club report" from the South Plains Coin Club's resident poet laureate, Herman Jacobs:

Let me tell you folks about old Lubbock town
We meet the first Monday and we do it up brown
Sharron Rice, our president, opens the meeting at 7:30 on the dot
Then Secretary-Treasurer Golden is Johnny on the spot
He reads the minutes and gives treasurer's report last

We ask for old business, new business, then move on fast
TNA News is next, unless the publication is late
Lamonte Pitzer's our district governor, the best in the state
Vice President Ling introduces our speaker, gets the program underway
Then coffee and donuts are the order of the day
We have an auction, the meeting ends about nine
We settle up our bills, everything ends up just fine
A few of the things we participate in, that the club is host
In June or July, we have our annual weenie roast
Later, we have a swap meet, the tables are free
It's just a fun event held for members like you and me
Our Christmas dinner and auction is an annual affair
And we try to show the South Plains, we're people who care
Ray Whyborn plays Santa, and he wheels and deals
And we raised more than 1500 dollars for Meals on Wheels
We hold a coin show in the Spring, we really draw a crowd
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And then, on May 25, I received a message via an Internet mail distribution list for coin collectors (coins@cobra.uni.edu) that contained the following:

Dedicated to all Coin Collectors' Wives

Here's a saying that you have all heard before, I think
"Water, water, everywhere, but not a drop to drink"
Shipwrecked people shout it, as they drift upon the sea
It sure is bad, but the saddest cry I've heard in my whole life
It's one you hear, when you lend an ear, to the Coin Collector's Wife

Money, money everywhere, but not a dime to spend,
If this keeps up, our marriage is coming to an end
Money in every dresser drawer and money on the shelf,
But there isn't one thin dime to spend upon myself
Lincoln cents and Mercury dimes, and Washington quarters, too!
Some of them are old and worn, and some of them are new
The paycheck that he gets doesn't seem to mean a thing to me,
Cause hubby needs a 1909-S Lincoln VDB
As soon as he gets the coin, he'll be looking for some other,
I think I'd be better off if I went on home to mother
One day in desperation, I took half a dollar
He said it was a commemorative, and you should have heard him holler!

Another time I took a coin that he said was a "proof,"
When I told him I spent it, I thought he'd raise the roof!
With all that money round the house, we're really very poor,
I'm getting sick and tired of it, of that I'm really sure!
So I advise you, single girls, if you want a happy life,
Don't marry a coin collector and become a Coin Collector's Wife
Shouting, "Money, money everywhere, and not a dime to spend,
Don't ever let a coin collector be more than just a friend"

The sender, a fellow with the rather appropriate name of Matt Nickels, reported that he had found this piece "in some 25 year old

numismatic papers," and that he had "not edited it." The author is unknown. Please bear in mind that it was written 25 years ago, and is most certainly not "politically correct." We are all aware that there are many serious, knowledgeable female numismatists, whose husbands are in equal jeopardy.

ANA Launches World Wide Web Pages to Allow Easy Access from the Internet

(condensed from an ANA Press Release 3-7-95)

The American Numismatic Association (ANA), has opened its doors to the global hypermedia, computer-linked information system, the World Wide Web (Web).

Developed by ANA's Management Information Systems Manager Susan Nulty, the Association's Web pages provide easier and richer access to information about the ANA and its many facets. "The Web provides denser connection between points of information, so it is an efficient way to investigate and extract information about the ANA," Nulty said. "It makes network access to the ANA even easier and extends our communication to a wider audience."

The Internet connects a global community of 25 million computer users, and the World Wide Web, which came into its own in 1993, allows Windows and Mac users adrift on the Internet to know exactly where they are, where they want to go, and how to get there.

The ANA's Web pages will continue to evolve, with images and information from the basics about the Association to in-depth looks at the Money Museum's latest exhibit, or data on specimens and collections in its cabinet. Already available are a complete list of membership benefits, e-mail addresses, seminar and conference information, the 1977-94 Library Catalog Supplement with more than 3,00 entries, information about submitting articles to *The Numismatist*, library slide and video listings, details on research services, Numismatic Theatre offerings, ANA World Series of Numismatics particulars, plus links to other related sites.

To access the World Wide Web and the ANA's Web pages, users need an Internet connection for a PC, Macintosh, UNIX, Open VMS, etc. environment; a software starter kit; and a Web browser. Once on the Internet, users need to locate the ANA's Uniform Resource Locator (URL), which is either:

http://www.csd.net/users/anaweb or

http://www.csd.net

and click at the ANA "Lamp of Knowledge."

For more information, contact the ANA , 818 North Cascade Avenue, Colorado Springs, CO 80903-3279, telephone (719) 632-2646; fax (719) 634-4085; Prodigy NUMI99A; CompuServe 74212,554. Internet ana@athena.csdco.com.

Secretary's Notes

Barbara Lowell

Welcome to members #5916-5917, and LM-177. The following have applied for membership. If approved, they will become members July 1, 1995:

R-5918 {D-05} Paula Cruz, PO Box 472144, Garland, TX 75047. American Gold Eagle Coins. Michael Launi.

R-5919 {D-05} Jimmy Murry, PO Box 472144, Garland, TX 75047. American Gold Eagle Coins. Michael Launi.

R-5920 {D-05} Jeffery Roberts, PO Box 472144, Garland, TX 75047. American Gold Eagle Coins. Michael Launi

J-5921 {D-06} Cindy Jacob, 16806 Willow Bend Court, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Coins. Ralph Ross.

J-5922 {D-06} Hussain A. Khambati, 1800 Austin Parkway #1712, Sugar Land, TX 77679. Coins. Cindy Jacob.

J-5923 {D-06} Altan Guzeldere, 303 Lombardy, Sugar Land, TX 77478 Coins. Ciny Jacob.

J-5924 {D-06} Bhavin Shah, 3122 Timberview Drive, Sugar Land, TX 77479 Coins. Cindy Jacob.

J-5925 {D-06} David H. Liu, 1726 Hodge Lake Lane, Sugar Land, TX 77478. All coins. Cindy Jacob.

J-5926 {D-06} Paul Tran, 3406 S. Briarpark Lane, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Money Cindy Jacob.

J-5927 {D-06} Reza Abasaltian, 4619 Summerlakes, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Asif Sayani.

J-5928 {D-06} Sini Jacob, 16806 Willow Bend Court, Sugar Land, TX 77479. U.S. coins. Cindy Jacob

J-5929 {D-06} Inyork Wong, 3607 Austin Meadow Court, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Coins. Cindy Jacob.

R-5930 {D-05} Dave Napier, 401 E. Irving Blvd, Irving, TX 75060. DBA Irving Gold. Secretary.

R-5931 {D-05} Rodney Head, 401 E Irving Blvd, Irving, TX 75060. DBA Irving Gold. Secretary.

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R-5935 {D-CA} John McIntosh, 4210 El Camino Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821 DBA McIntosh Collectibles Secretary

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R-5941 {D-LA} Robert Reed, PO Box 1162, Gretna, LA 70054. DBA RR Rare Coins. Secretary.

R-5942 {D-01} Dr. Ted French, 801 Road to 6 Flags 143, Arlington, TX 76012. Coins. Mike Simons.

R-5943 {D-05} Kurt R. Hartzog, 529 Meadow Street, Saginaw, TX 76179. Mexican and German coins. Frank Clark.

R-5944 {D-05} Barbara May Duddie, 2442 February Lane, Grand Prarie, TX 75050. Secretary.

J-5945 {D-06} Abid Hassanali, 2910 Grants Lake #1603, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Coins. Cindy Jacob.

J-5946 {D-06} Tarun Mulani, 6534 Adobe Trail, Sugar Land, TX 77479. World coins, Chinese coins. Cindy Jacob.

J-5947 {D-06} Sayeed Khowja, 17406 Greystone Court, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Cards, coins. Asif Sayani.

J-5948 {D-06} Shazad Ali, 1714 Rolling Brook Drive, Sugar land, TX 77479. Coins Asif Sayani.

J-5949 {D-06} Ali Hoosein, 5014 Cambridge Street, Sugar Land, TX 77479. Asif Sayani.

R-5950 {D-01} Cliff Richardson, 9959 Boat Club Road #J2, Fort Worth, TX 76179. Secretary.

R-5951 {D-LA} Tommy Hughes, PO Box 13256, Alexandria, LA 71315. Secretary.

R-5952 {D-04} Bill Bright, 11405 March Drive, Austin, TX 78753-2930. Secretary.

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R-5783 Bill Bailey, Corpus Christi

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1	15	46	2	91	NS	136	1
2	NS	47	2	92	10	137	1
3	20	48	1	93	16	138	2
4	25	49	MB	94	NS	139	1
5	5	50	3	95	NS	140	1
6	15	51	NS	96	NS	141	3
7	5	52	MB	97	NS	142	MB
8	8	53	3	98	MB	143	2
9	6	54	4	99	NS	144	8
10	NS	55	1	100	NS	145	MB
11	2	56	3	101	NS	146	MB
12	7	57	25	102	MB	147	6
13	10	58	1	103	5	148	MB
14	6	59	2	104	1	149	5
15	20	60	1	105	1	150	MB
16	25	61	5	106	3	151	2
17	9	62	NS	107	4	152	5
18	20	63	1	108	NS	153	5
19	NS	64	1	109	NS	154	MB
20	NS	65	MB	110	4	155	5
21	5	66	10	111	MB	156	MB
22	5	67	1	112	3	157	7
23	5	68	NS	113	13	158	NS
24	NS	69	NS	114	10	159	1
25	NS	70	1	115	5	160	3
26	NS	71	6	116	10	161	3
27	MB	72	1	117	5	162	6
28	MB	73	MB	118	5	163	6
29	MB	74	10	119	5	164	MB
30	5	75	4	120	1	165	7
31	2	76	4	121	9	166	9
32	2	77	MB	122	1	167	10
33	NS	78	10	123	12	168	3
34	NS	79	1	124	12	169	8
35	NS	80	2	125	NS	170	2
36	NS	81	4	126	NS	171	6
37	NS	82	3	127	MB	172	10
38	NS	83	14	128	MB	173	3
39	NS	84	5	129	MB	174	2
40	2	85	5	130	MB	175	6
41	NS	86	7	131	MB	176	10
42	MB	87	1	132	MB	177	1
43	NS	88	1	133	MB	178	1
44	6	89	1	134	MB	179	1
45	NS	90	1	135	4	180	2

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Calendar Of Events

June 3 **Brownwood, TX** **25-50 Tables**
Central Texas Coin Club Annual Show
Heartland Mall (off Early Boulevard)
Contact: Kenneth Sykes, (915) 752-7202 or
Joy Rhodes, (915) 752-6351
Route 1, Box 247, Bangs, TX 76823

June 10-11 **Amarillo, TX** **165 Tables**
Annual Coin, Card, Stamp & Antique Collectors' Show
Sponsored by Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc.
Amarillo Civic Center, 3rd & Buchanan (downtown)
Contact: Nela Runkle, (806) 355-1702
4304 Jennie Avenue, Amarillo, TX 79106-6033

June 24-25 **Tyler, TX** **30 Tables**
Coin Show
Harvey Convention Center, 2000 W. Front Street
Contact: Tom Bennington, P.O. Box 7276, Tyler, TX 75711

July 15 **Austin, TX** **30 Tables**
Central Texas Coin, Stamp & Sports Card Show
Quality Inn South, 2200 South IH-35 (at Oltorf)
Contact: Francis Smith, (512) 448-6372
P.O. Box 1182, Austin, TX 78767

July 21-23 **Irving, TX** **75 Tables**
Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex Coin & Card Show
Howard Johnson Airport Inn, 120 W. Airport Freeway (Old Hwy 183)
Contact: Paul or Doug, (214) 262-4491 (evenings, 6pm-9pm)
Box 224584, Dallas, TX 75222-4584

July 29-30 **Bossier City, LA** **100 Tables**
Ark-La-Tex Coin, Stamp & Card Expo
Sponsored by the Shreveport Coin Club
Bossier City Civic Center, 620 Benton Road
Write: SCC, P.O. Box 492, Shreveport, LA 71162 or
Call: Joe Notini, (318) 631-1315

Aug 5-6 **Bellaire, TX** **33 Tables**
Annual Bellaire Coin Club Show and Children's Auctions
Children's Auctions held at Noon & 4 pm Saturday, and 2 pm Sunday
Bellaire Civic Center, 7000 South Rice
Write: Box 303, Bellaire, TX 77401

Aug 26-27 **Fort Worth, TX** **65 Tables**
24th Annual Summer Coin & Stamp Show
Green Oaks Inn, 6901 West Freeway
Contact: Joe or Linda Wade, (817) 485-1777
6420 Diamond Loch, Fort Worth, TX 76180

Sep 9 **El Campo, TX** **35 Tables**
Rice Belt Coin Club 11th Annual Coin Show
American Legion Hall, South of US59
Contact: Walter Brewer, (409) 543-2243 or Gerd Conner, 543-3493 or Grace Vaclavik, 543-5229 or Johnnie Bartosh, 543-3600

Sep 22-24 **Irving, TX** **75 Tables**
Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex Coin & Card Show
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Nov 11-12 **Beaumont, TX** **33 Tables**
Southeast Texas Coin & Collectibles Show
Jointly sponsored by Beaumont, Orange, Port Arthur & Silsbee Clubs
Holiday Inn (Houston Room), Beaumont Plaza, 3950 I-10 South
Contact: Jack Provost, (409) 385-9272
P.O. Box 1676, Silsbee, TX 77656

Nov 18-19 **Wichita Falls, TX** **35 Tables**
Annual Red River Coin and Stamp Show
Sponsored by Wichita Falls-Red River Coin Club & TEXOMA Stamp Club
Wichita Falls Activity Center, 697 10th Street (at Indiana)
Contact: Connolly O'Brien, Jr., (817) 723-1792
c/o The Coin Shop, 1503 Beverly Drive, Wichita Falls, TX 76309

Nov 24-26 **Houston, TX** **65 Tables**
Coin Show *sponsored by Pasadena Coin Club*
Holiday Inn - Hobby Airport, 9100 Gulf Freeway
Contact. Bourse Chairman, PO Box 58155, Houston, TX 77258

Dec 1-3 **Irving, TX** **75 Tables**
Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex Coin & Card Show
Howard Johnson Airport Inn, 120 W. Airport Freeway (Old Hwy 183)
Contact. Paul or Doug, (214) 262-4491 (evenings, 6pm-9pm)
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Statement of Income and Loss
Mike Grant - Treasurer

January 1, 1995 - April 30, 1995

REVENUE:		
Dues	$ 802.00	
Donations	17.00	
Advertising	105.00	
"Coins for A's" Fund	40.00	
Medal Sales	2,164.00	
Book Auction	699.00	
Library Donation	15.00	
TNA News Donation	10.00	
Interest	75.79	
Total Revenue		$ 3,927.79
EXPENSES:		
Secretary Allowance	350.00	
Editor Allowance	300.00	
Editor Expenses	36.49	
Newsletter Printing Costs	817.84	
Coins for A's	322.28	
1995 TNA Medals	926.56	
TNA Medal Holders	393.50	
Medals Officer Expenses	83.30	
TNA Annual Awards	1,315.00	
Young Numismatists' Dinner	200.00	
Insurance	936.00	
Total Expenses		$ 5,726.97
Income/(Loss) From Operations		$ (1,799.18)

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Balance Sheet

Mike Grant - Treasurer

January 1, 1995 - April 30, 1995

ASSETS:		
Current Assets		
Cash - checking	$ 12,630.09	
"Coins for A's" Fund	773.02	
ANA Jr. Seminar Fund	1,268.25	
TNA Memorial Library Fund	707.58	
Investments		
CD Life Membership Fund	$ 10,146.33	
CD	10,000.00	
Total Current Assets		$ 35,764.02
LIABILITIES & EQUITY:		
Current Liabilities	$ 0.00	
Long Term Liabilities	0.00	
Total Liabilities	$ 0.00	
Equity		
Retained Earnings	$ 37,324.45	
Current Period Net Income/(Loss)	(1,799.18)	
CD Earnings	238.75	
Total Liabilities & Equity		$ 35,764.02
TOTAL ASSETS:		$ 35,764.02

District Meetings

DISTRICT I

Meeting #462 of the **Fort Worth Coin Club** was held Thursday, May 4, at 7:00 p.m., at the usual meeting place at the Botanic Gardens. There were 22 members and 2 guests in attendance. Organized in October, 1954, the club counted B. Max Mehl and Amon C. Carter, Jr., among its charter members. The current paid membership stands at 42. In the absence of President Dr. Ellis, Vice President Ted Court capably led the evening's activities. Minutes were read by Secretary Elleta Havens, and the treasurer's report was submitted by H.S. McGilvray. A progress report on the new club membership directory was given by Ron Kersey, who promised completion in time for the club's June meeting. Ron also gave the evening's program, "A Beginner's Guide to Bust Half Dollars." The program was very informative and well prepared, and members came away with some excellent background knowledge about this historical series. The evening concluded with a spirited auction of lots supplied by members.

--J. Russell Prinzinger, District I Governor

The newly-formed **Mid-Cities Coin Club** met for the 5th time on Tuesday, May 2, with 29 people present. Troy Bower presided, as Acting Chairman of the Charter Committee. After a discussion on the proposed constitution, it was approved unanimously. A slate of officers was presented, and elections were scheduled for the June meeting. In order to secure current club funds, Warren Street was immediately elected to the office of treasurer. A set of rules governing the lottery and auction sales was approved, and educational forums were planned for future meetings. At the conclusion of the evening's business, Jim Fitzgerald used numbered wooden nickels to determine winners of several donated door prizes. Jim then raffled off 8 bags of goodies, including type coins, proof sets and paper money. An auction of member lots concluded the festivities.

The club boasts 27 paid members, including 5 life members. There is a lot of enthusiasm about the club's progress, and everyone interested is encourgaged to join in the excitement. Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the first Tuesday of each month, at the Randol Mill Cafe in Arlington. A dinner menu is available at 6.00 p.m. for early arrivals.

--J. Russell Prinzinger, District I Governor

DISTRICT III

At the April 3 meeting of Brownwood's **Central Texas Coin Club**, the 14 members in attendance discussed the upcoming club show, and tired to make sure that all plans were in order. Although several members were under the weather, it was a good meeting. The evening's auction had some good buys.

The May 1 meeting drew 15 members and 3 guests. Once again, the June 3 club show was the main topic of discussion. By the end of the meeting, the club had added 3 new members, increasing the total membership to 35. Bob Bills served as the evening's auctioneer. Everyone seemed to agree that it was a great meeting.

--Joy Rhodes, club Secretary

DISTRICT IV

The April 6 **Williamson County Coin Club** meeting was attended by 8 members and 2 guests, Chuck Elkins presiding. After a discussion of upcoming area shows, Erin Davis announced that she had won an ANA scholarship to the ANA's Summer Conference in Colorado Springs. She will be taking a course on Roman and Byzantine coins. A Conder token, one of many produced by British mints in the 1790's, was passed around for everyone's inspection. An educational talk, on the coins of Macrinus and Diadumenian, followed. After explaining that on most coins with confronted busts, the emperor/father faces right and the son or other person faces left, the speaker passed around a coin on which Macrinus, the father, faces left and his son, Diademenian, faces right. It was further noted that the inscriptions were unusual, with the son's name listed before the father's. The speaker also demonstrated how to make a foil impression of the coin to help make the legends more readable. After the talk, Steve Liarakos brought out some ancient coins, and asked if anyone wanted to help identify them. The formal meeting adjourned, and a few people stayed around to examine the coins.

DISTRICT V

Frank Clark called the 801st meeting of the **Dallas Coin Club** to order on February 16, with 18 members and a guest, Jack Hyzer, present. Jack later became the club's newest member, number 702. Everyone was reminded that medals commemorating the club's 800th meeting were still available for $20 (silver) and $5 (bronze). Hal Cherry reported that he had received a few inquiries about the medals in response to announcements carried in national numismatic publications. Everyone was also reminded that the club does not endorse any candidates for ANA offices. Victor Toogood brought the Dallas Coin Club yearbook for 1947-1948, and passed it around. The evening's program, by Gary Hill, was a wonderful presentation on Philippine leper colony money. Gary is one of only about a dozen U.S. collectors of these coins, tokens and notes, all of which are scarce to rare. The meeting

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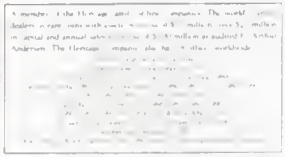

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concluded with an auction which netted the club $1.71, on the sale of seven items.

The March 16 meeting had 23 members and 3 guests present. Tom Ragsdale asked for a few more speakers to fill out the year's schedule. Kyle Redd checked out the Ancient Coins tape, and Jack Hyzer borrowed the one on Grading Mint State Coins. The program was "Honest Abe," by Tom Ragsdale. Tom shared some interesting numismatic facts about the Lincoln cent, as well as tales about Lincoln's legendary honesty. After the program, two bags of silver coins were raffled, and the sale of 16 items in the auction added $3.49 to the club treasury.

--club newsletter (Michael P. Grant, editor)

DISTRICT VI

The February 6 **Bellaire Coin Club** was called to order with 16 members and one visitor present. The visitor became the club's newest member. Mark Grabowski gave an update on President Templeton, discussed membership dues, and a children's auction for the August 5-6 club show. The evening's auction was run by auctioneer Fred Perz and runner Jerry Clemons.

There were 13 members and 2 visitors present for the February 20 meeting. Charles Templeton reminded everyone of dues, and upcoming club elections. Jim Bevill gave a program on the eagles depicted on the Flying Eagle cent and Liberty Seated dollar. Fred and Jerry once again conducted the auction.

The March 6 meeting was attended by 21 members and 3 visitors, all of whom were voted in as new members. A nominating committee was formed, and the cancellation of the Spring Show in Beaumont was announced. Bingo served as the evening's program, and Linda Owens and Ed Arrich were the evening's auctioneer and runner, respectively.

The March 20 meeting brought out 20 members and 2 guests, both of whom became members. The nominating committee and May 1 banquet were discussed. Table sales for the club's August show were reported by Mark Grabowski to have risen to 13. Jim Bevill gave a program on his nickel type set, and bingo was played. Jeff Todd conducted the auction and Jerry Clemons was the runner.

There were 32 members and a visitor present for the April 3 meeting. Nominations were opened for club officers. Chris and Bill Johns reported on the latest inductees to the TNA Hall of Fame. Mark reported table sales at 15, and discussed a children's auction for the show. Members played 5 games of bingo, and Linda called the auction, with Ed acting as runner.

The April 17 meeting drew 15 members. Jerry reported on Jim Kirk's gold program at GHCC, and Mark reported that another table had been sold for the August show. Final arrangements for the installation banquet were announced. Mark called the auction, and John Evans was the runner. Attendees enjoyed 7 games of bingo.

The 1995/1996 Bellaire Coin Club officers, effective May 1, are: President, Charles Templeton; V.P., Mark Grabowski; Secretary, Jim Bevill; and Treasurer, Joe Wells.
--club newsletter, Michael Wolford, editor

Amy Ng, after a "gruesome" first semester, returned as editor and publisher of *The C-Cubed*, the newsletter of the **Clements Coin Club** for the March 23 issue. She encouraged all members to exhibit at and attend the TNA Convention at the end of the month. A letter from J.T. Stanton thanked the club for its support in his bid for a position on the ANA Board. Sini Jacob's "The U.S. Page" presented an in-depth study of the Susan B. Anthony dollar. The issue also carried much information about the upcoming TNA show, and membership applications to both TNA and the Clements Coin Club.

The March 30 issue ran an article by Ali Hoosain entitled, "Gold Bullions Then and Now." Tarun Mulani wrote "The Classic Head Cent of 1812-1814 (The Shortage of Copper)," which related how the War of 1812 and the Non-Importation Act resulted in an interruption in the supply of planchets for cent coinage. Shazad Ali's "Mint Marks" described the various mint marks found on U.S. half cents through nickels, as well as their locations. Inyork Wong reminded everyone of the TNA convention and upcoming C3 meeting.

The issue dated April 6 reminded all that National Coin Week, April 16-22, would be celebrated at Clements High School. Exhibits were to be placed in the school library, and a visit to the school on April 19 was planned by Sugar Land Mayor Lee Duggan and FBISD Superintendent Dr. Hooper. C3 T-shirts and wooden nickels were to be made available for the occasion, as well. An article by Khambati Hussain chronicled Thomas Jefferson's contributions to U.S. coins. Sayeed Khowja wrote about Lincoln cents, Asif Sayani discussed double dies, and Kashif Gaddi examined the grading of paper money. Recognition for attendance at the TNA Convention went to Reza Abasaltian, Shazad Ali, Kashif Gaddi, Altan Guzeldere, Abid Hassanali, Ali Hoosain, Khambati Hussain, Cindy Jacob, Sini Jacob, Sayeed Khowja, Peter Keller, Tarun Mulani, Ali Raza, Asif Sayani, Bhavin Shah, Paul Tran and Inyok Wong.

The April 27 newsletter thanked everyone who participated in National Coin Week festivities and in the club show that was held on April 21 in the school commons. Special thanks went to Paul Garner, who donated many of the 50 lots that were offered in the auction during the show. Sini Jacob wrote about the "Drummer Boy" appearing on the quarters struck to commemorate the U.S. Bicentennial. Paul Tran described "Grading Wright's Liberty Cap Design." Altan Guzeldere' article, "D-I-C-E," examined the crucial important relationship among Dealers, Investors, Collectors and Exhibitors.
- -*The C-Cubed* (Amy W. Ng, editor and publisher)

The February 16 meeting of the **Greater Houston Coin Club** had 35 members and 4 visitors in attendance. Guido Weiss and Bob Crooks were so impressed that they applied for membership. It was reported that the club directors had earlier approved a nominal admission charge for the 1996 Money Show. President Jerry Clemons announced the appointment of Jim Klodosky as club accountant. In the absence of the scheduled speaker, there was no program, but the auction was held, as usual. The March newsletter contained the third part of the series on numismatic genesis, a message from Jerry, and a questionnaire designed to help determine the interests of club members.

The April issue of *Double Shift* listed 1995/1996 club officers. They are: President, Linda Owens; V.P., Karen Paris; Secretary, Bernard Loebe; Treasurer, A.J. Fickessen; Board Members, Ralph Ross, Jerry Clemons and Michael Wolford; Librarian, Bob Jones; and newsletter editor, Stan Garczynski. There were messages from incoming president Linda Gale Owens and outgoing president Jerry Clemons. A copy of the proclamation, by Houston Mayor Bob Lanier, designating April 2-8 as Greater Houston Coin Club Week, occupied a full page in the issue. Part 4 of the series on numismatic genesis, and Cleesta Anthony's "The Standing Liberty Quarter (America's Obscene Coin)" rounded out the April newsletter.

- -*Double Shift* **(Stan Garczynski, editor)**

The **Pasadena Coin Club** announced its slate of officers for 1995: President, David Montgomery; V.P., Bob Bing; Treasurer, Annette Bing; and Secretary, Rich Naugle. New members Bill Boone, Adrian Diorio , and Stassi Bordelon were welcomed to the club, and the loss of long-time member and club treasurer, John Eby, was mourned by all. Everyone was reminded that dues for 1995, $10.00 for regular members and $6.00 for Juniors, were due by the April 10 club banquet.

At the club's March 13 meeting, the club president formed a Past Membership Retention Committee, consisting of David Montgomery, Bob Bing, and Katherine Callender. These folks were to contact past club members and let them know where and when club meetings are being held, and to invite them to atttend. It was also decided at the meeting to have name tags made for everyone, to make it easier to get to know one another. Elections were held, and the nominated candidates were quickly approved. Two new members, Danny Rowe and Mike Orlicek, were extended a warm welcome.

The new officers were sworn in by Russ Clickner at the installation banquet on April 10. Due to 50 people showing up when only 40 were expected, there was a shortage of food, however. Ideas on how to avoid such a disappointment in the future were actively sought.

At the April 24 meeting, Bill Chase informed the members that the 1995 club show would be moved from the Hilton to the Holiday Inn, and that the cost of tables was going up. An admission charge was

discussed, but rejected by a majority of those present. Thanks were extended on behalf of the club to Francis "Rip" Ripley and Lennie Ripley for their donation to the Junior Member prize giveaway.

New members for the month of April were Jane Nelson, Glenn Rodriguez, Ed Arrich, Sr., and Mark Grabowski.

--club newsletter (Rich Naugle, editor)

El Campo's **Ricebelt Coin Club** elected its new slate of officers in January. They are: President: Gerd Conner; V.P., Paula Siglock; Secretary, Grace Vaclavick; Treasurer, Johnnie Bartosh; Historian, Victoria Brewer; and Reporter, Nathan Hand. The club has also changed its meeting day to the **2nd Monday** of each month, in the Commercial State Bank's Gold Room. The February and March club meetings were devoted to plans for the club's 11th Annual Coin Show, to be held September 9 at the American Legion Hall. There were two meetings in April, one of which was held at the Siglock's home. At that meeting, Carl Siglock gave a presentation on die cracks and mint errors. For the May 8 meeting, Charles Templeton was to present a program on paper money and coinage from the new Slovak Republic, Bohemia, Russia, Yugoslavia, and Eastern European States.

--Grace Vaclavick, club Secretary

DISTRICT VII

The **Alamo Coin Club** met on March 9 with 22 attendees, including 3 visitors. Nathan's parents and Ron's son, Jeffery. The club nominated Scott Travers for the ANA Board of Governors. Ron G. announced his participation in a New Coin Store, 8071 Culebra Rd, about a mile outside Loop 410. At the Round Table, Wayne told some history of Japanese currency; Robert L. showed a Fiesta token of King Antonio 51; James W. Gorman; Joseph B. showed currency and coins from Fiji and Peru; Pyron C. showed a Castorland (near Carthage, NY) medal of 1796, struck in Paris; and Harold E. had a cased 1987 British year set. Bidders bought 19 of 25 auction lots, including one donated lot.

On March 23, attendance was 15, including a visitor. Round Table items included: a Bowers and Merena book, *Gold Coins of the Old West: Carson City Mint 1870-1893*, by Winter & Cutler, shown by Damon F., and examples of the Leprosy coinage of Venezuela, including brass one-eighth and three-quarter bolivars from the Maracaibo mint, brought by Wayne G. A letter from Steve Young, announcing his engagement, was read. Steve, who is teaching English in Korea, also reported that he is still collecting. Gary Wolfe, who is working in Turkey, sent in two years worth of club dues. The evening's auction sold 31 of 50 lots, including 4 books donated by Bob D., and a numismatic coffee mug, donated by Damon F. The donated lots netted the club $4.50.

- -*The Alamo News* (Harold Eiserloh, editor)

The **Gateway Coin Club**'s March 2 meeting was called to order by vice president Don Hunter, in the absence of the president. Due to rain and unseasonably cold weather, only 14 members were present. There were also two visitors: Don's brother, Ron, who is also an avid coin collector, and Ron's wife, Virginia. Members were asked to sign up to work at the club's May 6-7 coin show. Vicki English reported that Jim was doing well after heart bypass surgery, and a Get Well card was signed by those members who were present. There were several roundtable participants: Py Coryell brought two gold coins; Don Bailey showed a 30 cent token from Fairchild AFB; Don brought an off-center 1990 cent; Ron had a clipped quarter; and Ray Tate displayed a beautiful U.S. sliver dollar souvenir card, "The American Dollar," issued by Florida United Numismatists (FUN). Robert Lacewell gave a brief commentary on how the mint strikes coins, and how errors occur. The meeting ended with an auction, conducted by Don Bailey.

The March 16 meeting opened with 17 members present. Ray Tate reported on the upcoming club show, and Karla Galindo announced that ads were being run in several numismatic publications. Don Hunter read a letter from Cliff Valley, who is planning to sell part of his collection. Frank Galindo gave a report on the 1995 TNA medals. The roundtable discussion was led by Miriam Gilmore, who showed a mint set of Canadian coins featuring flowers and animals. Don brought a safe-conduct pass from the Korean War, intended for use by Chinese and Korean soldiers. Vicki English's educational program, "Love Coinage of Edward VIII," was very interesting and well received. A mini-auction was conducted by Bob Rogers. There were a number of donated lots: four books from Bob Downs netted the club $29.00; a silver Liberty dollar from Tom Cates brought $15.00; and a set of personal currency of Claude Proulx, featuring $1.00, $2.00 and $5.00 notes, sold for $9.00. All together, these donated lots earned $53.00 for the club.

Auction night, April 6, opened with 25 members and one guest, Harold Eiserloh, vice president of the Alamo Coin Club. Harold brought a number of TNA awards with him, and presented Miriam Gilmore and Frank Galindo with their Hall of Fame Plaques (honoring their selections by the TNA in 1983 and 1994, respectively). Harold also brought the 1995 TNA Club Salute Award plaque, which was earned by the Gateway Coin Club. The members welcomed Ed Witt, freshly returned from a visit with his daughter in Australia. Don Bailey was welcomed back after recent surgery. Ray Tate reported on the upcoming show, and Karla gave an update on advertising. Miriam invited everyone to attend a National Coin Week proclamation ceremony with Mayor Wolff, set for April 13. For the roundtable, Wayne Gordon brought a couple of old coins, and asked for help identifying them. Olive Russell showed an album of Colombian coins, and Py brought rotated-die coins from Colombia and Germany. Bob Rogers had an unusual annual racetrack pass from Russia, and Ed spoke about the popularity of telephone cards

in Australia. The meeting closed with a brisk auction, conducted by Bob Rogers. Four books, donated by Bob Downs, netted the club $11.50.

There were 19 members present for the April 20 meeting. Lou Rangle was welcomed back after an absence of some time. Club Secretary Marianne Hunter reported on Mayor Wolff's National Coin Week proclamation; other club officers in attendence at the ceremony had been President Frank Galindo, Vice President Don Hunter, and Treasurer Ray Tate. The roundtable discussion was lively, with many participants. Py was surprised by Gwen, who presented him with a framed print of Norman Rockwell's "The Collector" for his birthday. Don Hunter showed proof and mint sets of 1995 Canadian coins and Lou Rangel brought four coins with rotated reverses. Frank showed a wooden nickel promoting ANA's 1995 National Coin Week on one side, and St. Eligius, Patron Saint of Numismatics, on the other. Don Bailey showed two tokens, and Karla brought two commemorative medals. The educational program was Jim Ehrhardt's most informative "Fractional Currency." Jim illustrated his talk with a large variety of pieces from his own collection. The meeting ended with a mini-auction conducted by Don Bailey. A set of Claude Proulx's personal currency brought $6.00 for the club, and another $10.50 was reaped from the sales of four books donated by Bob Downs.
- -*The Gatepost* (Frank Galindo, editor)

DISTRICT VIII

The **Corpus Christi Coin Club** just completed its 38th annual coin show. Held in the Sunrise Mall's Sunrise Room, it was a great success. Bourse Chair David Burke was asked to serve again for the March, 1996 show, to be held in the same location. This year's show was a sellout, and half the tables for next year's show have already been sold. Many of the 20 dealers who had tables this year even tried to talk David into holding more than one show per year.

At the club's monthly meeting, David gave a report on the show, and another on the TNA Convention, held the following weekend. Members also discussed the possibility of changing the location of club meetings from the main library downtown, La Retama, to somewhere more convenient, such as the Sunrise Mall. It was also decided to meet only once a month, on the first Tuesday, regardless of location. David informed everyone that he had ordered a couple of copies of the U.S. Mint's "The Money Story," which will be made available to anyone wishing to give the program to a school or club. Designed for ages 10 through 13, the program should, in fact, be informative for all. David also expressed thanks to the family of Sammy Bassous, who donated the remainder of the supplies from his shop, The Coin Nook, to the TNA.
--David Burke, District VIII Governor

The **Kingsville Coin Club** wants to remind everyone that it meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday in the Hickman Building, next to the Kleburg

County Courthouse. Members have discussed changing the location of meetings to the Bonanza restaurant, but such action has not yet been finalized. The club received a big "Thank You" from the Corpus Christi Coin Club for its help with the latter club's March show.
--**David Burke, District VIII Governor**

DISTRICT IX

South Plains Coin Club president Sharron Rice opened the club's April 3 meeting with 29 members and 2 guests in attendance. Show chairman Herman Jacobs thanked everyone who worked to make the club's March show the success that it was. There were 95 bourse booths, and public attendance was up from last year. Bill Bevers was recognized for selling 150 tickets for the door prize drawing. Rice and Jacobs were given special awards, in thanks for their work for the club. Club secretary-treasurer James Golden, who also served as show co-chair, reported that the show was a financial success. He also reported that the paperwork for club incorporation was in the mail. Herman gave a report on the TNA Convention, and Jop Joplin and Lamonte Pitzer displayed their TNA awards. Wayne Carson gave an interesting program on England's decimal coinage, and displayed his collection, which was assembled while he was on military duty there. An auction by Rice and Ling concluded the meeting.

There were 35 members present when Sharron called the May 1 meeting to order. Mrs. Rice announced that a member bourse would replace that auction at the June meeting, and urged everyone to bring material to swap or sell. It was decided to have the club's annual hot dog supper on the regular meeting night of July 3, starting at 6:30 p.m. James reported that the club has 48 paid members, and suggested a membership drive. Ideas on how to conduct such a drive were sought from members. Jim Andrews gave a fine program that examined the function of a coin club. An auction, conducted by Rice and Ling, closed out the evening's organized activities.
--**Lamonte Pitzer, District IX Governor**

DISTRICT X

At the March 16 meeting of the **El Paso International Coin Club**, attendees heard a talk, augmented by a slide presentation, on "Biblical Coin History." Thanks went to Bob Pick and Stephen Phillips for a job well done. It was noted that, although the club had submitted a nomination for Millard Brown as TNA District Governor, his name did not appear on the ballot. (*Editor's note. The reason for this was that the nomination was received by the TNA Secretary not only well after the official December 31 deadline, but also after the ballots had been prepared and sent to the printer in late February.*) In the absence of any candidate for District 10 Governor on the ballot, Millard was reappointed to the position by TNA President Joe Olson.

In other news from the club, its February show was reported to have been a success, and 400 phone cards depicting the club's name, a U.S. $20 gold piece, and a Mexican Dos Pesos coin, proved to be very popular. Club elections were set for May, and plans for the club's annual Spring picnic were reported to be underway.
--Helen C. Boutwell, club Secretary

DISTRICT XI

The March **Golden Spread Coin Club** newsletter reported that Jerry Davidson would be giving a program on the "Maximillian Era" at the club's April 3 meeting. Show and tell activities at the March meeting were listed as: Mike Ecklund had some books on treasure hunting, as well as some found treasures; Jim Laub brought a 1977 Canadian Silver Jubilee; Jared Hoskins had a 1974 proof set from the Bahamas and a 1960 set from the Netherlands; Rachael Laub showed a "brown box" Ike; R.L. Tompkins had 1970-S doubled die and small date cents; C.C. Stewart had brought half dollar sets; and Nela had an altered coin, with a Mercury dime obverse and wheat cent reverse. R.L. Tompkins also talked about a man who found a bunch of old baseball cards in the attic of a house he had bought, and Paulla White told of finding steel cents in circulation, possibly some of the same ones spent by club members during last year's National Coin Week. On that note, members were encouraged to support this year's NCW by taking programs into schools and libraries, and setting up displays. In addition to all these reports, the March newsletter contained a Maximillian trivia quiz by Jerry.

The April newsletter announced that the program for the May 1 meeting would be "More Fun With Paper Money," by Homer Dotts. Everyone was reminded to do their part for the club's June 10-11 show. This included selling raffle tickets, donating food for the June 9 dealer/member dinner, and working in various capacities during the show or in setup and takedown of tables and chairs. Nela Runkle, despite recent surgery, expressed her willingness to perform any tasks that didn't require driving, standing or lifting. Members were also reminded and encouraged to bring show and tell items and swap material to the May meeting. Dave Cervin and Nela were recognized for having been presented with their TNA Hall of Fame plaques on April 2 during the TNA Convention in Fort Worth.
--club newsletter (Nela Runkle, editor)

DISTRICT XV

The February 16 meeting of the **Beaumont Coin Club** was called to order by Vice President Bill Stein. President Jerry Williams was on the ANA's Caribbean cruise. Frequent visitor Jane Baker was welcomed once again. The club voted to endorse ANA Board candidates Helen Carmody and J.T. Stanton. Art Larkin reported on the cancellation of the Spring show, and announced that the Fall show will be held

November 11-12 at the Holiday Inn on Walden Road. Due to the long lead time required by the Holiday Inn for show reservations (as much as a year in advance), it was decided to look for alternative sites in the future. Bill Stein gave a wonderful program on the large cents of 1817-1819. After a lively auction, with Bill serving as auctioneer, the meeting adjourned.

Jerry Williams opened the March 16 meeting with 10 members present. Ed White gave the treasurer's report. Jerry reported on his and Barbara Edwards' ANA cruise. He said there was too much food and not enough coins. He went on to say that there was a grading seminar, conducted by J.P. Martin, and another seminar on "Boggs Bills." The cruise stopped at four islands, and both Jerry and Barbara said they had a great time, and made lots of new friends. After the report, a motion was passed to donate a Red Book to the Beaumont Public Library each year. Club contact and meeting information will be affixed to the inside front cover. Art Larkin reported that he is working on a contract for the Fall show, but nothing had been signed yet. Nonetheless, Jerry promised to distribute Fall show flyers at the TNA Convention. Jerry also gave the evening's Did-You-Knows.

--Judy Matherne, club Secretary

At the March meeting of the **Greater Orange Coin Club**, there were two new members and a guest. Everyone welcomed new members Charles Cagle and Glenn Curran. For the April 13 meeting, Judy Matherne was to be guest speaker. Lester Fulfer also promised to have a 1995 doubled die cent for viewing at the April meeting. For the right price, he said, one could even buy it in the auction.

--club newsletter (Lester Fulfer, editor)

The March 2 **Port Arthur Coin Club** meeting was called to order by President Jerry Williams, with 11 members on hand. Rick Lanclos read the treasurer's report. Program chairman Julian Bruno requested volunteers to give programs in July, August and September. Everyone was reminded to pay their dues, since paid memberships stood at only 19. The club voted to support Anthony Swiatek for ANA V.P. and Robert Campbell for the ANA Board of Governors. Barbara Edwards and Jerry reported on their ANA cruise. Although only 34 ANA member were aboard, they had a grand time, and even ran into some other folks from the Golden Triangle area. They also reported meeting and befriending ANA Board candidate Robert Campbell. The evening's program was by Julian, a continuation of the one he had begun on the Federal Reserve and the U.S. banking system. Jerry gave the Did-You-Knows, and there was a very interesting auction, with Ken Seholm acting as auctioneer. There were several lots of Confederate State of America items.

Ten members were present for the April 6 meeting. Mr. McManus volunteered to give the program in September, and everyone agreed to

have a "Member's" program in July, where each member would bring a coin or collectible object, and share a story or information about it. Julian Bruno announced that he would be moving to Austin soon, and thus would be unable to continue to serve the club as V.P and program chairman. Jerry gave a report on the TNA Convention, including the news that he was honored there as Outstanding District Governor. Jerry and Barbara passed around examples of the TNA medal struck in bronze, silver and aluminum. Barbara gave the Did-Ya-Knows, and Jerry gave a fine program on "Faceless Coins," including the silver three cent piece, flying eagle cent, shield nickel, and two cent piece. Barbara donated two TNA medals and an elongated cent as door prizes for the evening. After a brief auction, the meeting adjourned.
- -*Dollars and Cents* (Judy Matherne, editor)

The **Silsbee Coin Club** met on February 28, with President Barbara Edwards presiding. There were 12 members present. Jack Provost read the treasurer's report. Program chair Jim Cawley asked for someone to do the April program. Jack gave a report on the Fall show. Jerry Williams and Barbara reported on the ANA cruise they recently had taken. Although the attendance had been small (34 particpants, including 9 dealers), they felt it would pick up once word got around. The club passed a motion made by Jerry to endorse ANA Board candidates Bob Campbell and John Wilson. Jim gave a report on prospective meeting sights for the club, since the GSU building is to be closed. After some discussion, a motion was approved to pay $5.00 per month to meet at Silsbee High School whenever the GSU building becomes unavailable. Jerry gave the "Did You Knows," and Judy Matherne gave a very good program on error coins. She also had many examples to show. After a short break and refreshments, the auction wrapped up the meeting.

There were 13 members in attendance at the March 28 meeting. Jack gave the treasurer's report, and Art Larkin reported that Bill Stein was supposed to have a contract in hand for the Fall show. There was a discussion on the 1995 doubled die cents. Richard Murphy was congratulated on the birth of his son, Richard Ian Evans Murphy. Jerry gave the "Did You Knows," and Richard gave an interesting program about large cents. After a refreshment break, the auction was held, and the meeting adjourned soon afterwards.
--club newsletter (Kay Crain, editor)

DISTRICT XVII

The March 9 **Waco Coin Club** meeting was called to order by President Darron Ellsworth. There were 25 people present. New members Vernon & Mae Wolff, and Robert & George Dillard, were welcomed. The establishment of a club library was discussed, and Mike Roe agreed to do further research and report his findings at the April meeting. John Jones recommeded that the club cast its vote for Joe

Olson as TNA President and Fred Gowdy as District Governor, and a motion to that effect passed unanimously. Dalton Adams recommended that the club endorse Will Rossman for the ANA Board of Governors, and a motion was made and passed to do so. Jay Larsen announced that the club could continue to use the Democratic Party Headquarters as its meeting site for some time in the future. The program was given by Dr. Gayle Avant, from Baylor University, who is a member of the Coins for Teachers Task Force. This organization promotes the use of coins by teachers to help in Social Studies, History, Mathematics, and Geography classes. After the program, Darron conducted the evening's auction, and the meeting adjourned.

There were 18 people present for the April 13 meeting. New members Connie and Virginia Dillard were welcomed. George Kubal gave a preliminary report on the show finances, and also announced that he is resigning from the Show Committee. Hugh Smith stated that two dealers had complained about smoking in the building during the show. The club voted to have another show in 1996, and Hugh Smith, Robert Schuetze, and Alan Wood volunteered to stage the show. After Mike Roe's report on the formation of a library, Alan moved and John Jones seconded his motion to start one. Everyone agreed that book acquisition should start slowly, and Mike Roe agreed to make a wish list for club approval. A motion was approved to change meeting start time from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. Darron agreed to prepare and mail out a letter of invitation to join the club to collectors who filled out registration cards at the show. The program, by John Jones, was about Maundy Thursday. George Kubal conducted the auction, after which the meeting adjourned.
- -*WACOINEWS* (J.P. Jones, editor)

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